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Date: March 16, 1998

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From: Mark Servinsky 

**Subject: Bossert/EPA Site, Utica, NY**

We have completed the structural inspection of the former Bossert Manufacturing facility. This letter is to inform you of our concern about the stability of the exterior walls that are in close proximity to Noyes and Lenox Streets.

Specifically, the exterior brick walls of the second story of Area 10 and 11 are in poor condition and there is a real possibility of a partial collapse of walls. The parapet brick walls near the roof line are loose and have displaced outwardly from the vertical. Also, some reinforced concrete window sills are broken and have fallen to the ground below.

Because of continued deterioration of the upper level exterior walls, it is recommended that the entire second floor walls and roof of Area 10 be demolished. The concrete floor of the upper story should remain because it is capable of resisting the impact of falling concrete debris from the demolition work. Special precautions are recommended to protect the floor concrete from "punch through" of falling debris. As a minimum, temporary metal plate placed over the entire floor area will accomplish this.

Another length of brick wall is in relatively good condition on the exterior. Demolition of this exterior wall may be postponed to a later time because there is no danger of wall collapse.

Should you have any questions or comments, please contact me at 616/975-4632.

**Attachments: Report Dated 3/10/98**



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